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MEMORANDUM

TO: Gregory Thorpe, Ph.D., Director
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FROM: Peter Sandbeck *PSS for Peter Sandbeck*

SUBJECT: Needmore Road (SR 1364/1114), R-4440, Macon and Swain Counties, ER 06-2441

Thank you for your letter of May 31, 2006, transmitting the archaeological and architectural survey reports by Shane Peterson, Jennifer Cathey, Jesse Zinn, and Caleb Smith. We apologize for the delay in our response.

For purposes of compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, we concur that the following property has been State Study-listed and remains eligible for the National Register of Historic Places.

Tellico Valley Rural Historic District, SR 1365, Tellico.

For purposes of compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, we concur that the following property is eligible for the National Register of Historic Places under the criterion cited:

Tellico Valley Rural Historic District Expansion, is eligible for the National Register under Criterion A for its association with the successive settlement of Native and Euro-American populations and with events in the history of Cherokee-American, North Carolina and United States relations; specifically, the granting and subsequent revocation of 640-acre life reservations to individual Cherokees. These patterns are evident in the basic structure of the Cherokee citizen reservation landscape—creek, field, and woodland, overlaid with nineteenth and twentieth century rural buildings and landscapes patterns. Here, the natural and built environment serve to illustrate the evolution of the cultural landscape after most of the Cherokee were forced to leave the area.

The district is eligible for the National Register under Criterion C for design and construction, containing a stone fishweir and representative examples of late nineteenth and early twentieth-century rural buildings, including farmhouses and outbuildings, other agricultural buildings, community buildings, a church, a school, and landscape elements. These structures retain a high level of integrity of design, workmanship, and

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